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Decision Notice for the Wilderness Sportsman Club

August 17, 2010

A Draft Environmental Assessment (EA) was prepared by FWP for the proposed purpose of granting \$6,500 in Shooting Range Grant funds to the Wilderness Sportsman Club for a project at the existing range, located approximately 3 miles from Seeley Lake in Powell County, MT. FWP will provide partial funding for purchase of a permanent lease on 4.18 acre of Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation (DNRC).

A Draft EA was circulated for public comment between July 26, 2010 and August 13, 2010. During this time period, notices announcing the comment period and the draft EA were placed on FWP's website and as legal ads published in the *Missoulian* and the Seeley Lake *Pathfinder* newspapers.

FWP received three supportive comments and none objecting to the proposed project. Based on the analysis in the environmental assessment and public comment, Alternative A is preferred and FWP will provide \$6,700 in partial funding to the purchase of a permanent easement. There were no changes to the draft EA; therefore the draft becomes the final EA.

Signed letter on file Kurt Cunningham Shooting Range Coordinator

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